the approach of a train to the road users.

(ii) Provision of STOP Boards on the road approaches to all unmanned level crossings on the road at either side of the level crossings at suitable points within the railway boundary.

(iii) Provision of gate posts, painted white.

(iv) Provision of speed breakers on either side of level crossing within railway boundary.

(v) Ambush checks by railways in coordination with state authorities that road users adhere to the precautions to be taken, while negotiating unmanned level crossings in accordance with Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

(vi) Publicity through audio-visual media and press to educate the road users to awaken greater Safety consciousness.

Expansion/Renovation of Railway Stations in Punjab

5763. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some railway stations in Punjab have been identified for expansion and renovation during the year 1994-95; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Works of provision of platform shelters at Tanda Urmar, Bhogpur Sirwal, Taran Taran and Chakki Bank; improvements to water supply at Ludhiana, Dhandari Kalan and Dhuri and extension of platform shelters at Ludhiana, Amritsar and Jallandhar Cantt. have been taken up.

Modernisation of Secunderabad Railway Station

5764. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the plans for expansion and modernisation of Secunderabad Railway Station on the South Central Railway;

(b) whether Railways are aware of the problems faced by passengers due to congestion in Secunderabad Railway Station;

(c) whether it is a fact that increasing number of passengers have been using Secunderabad Railway Station; and

(d) the steps being taken to improve the Secunderabad Railway Station and reduce congestion both in the station and outside ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (d) Expansion/modernisation of Railway Stations is a continuous process and the same is undertaken whenever so warranted by the increase in the volume of traffic subject to the availability of funds. Accordingly, to accommodate the increasing passenger traffic at Secunderabad Railway Station, the works of improvement to circulating area, parcel handling facilities and retiring rooms; provision of two foot-over-bridges and a computerised reservation counter on the Boiguda side and extension of platform shelters on platform no. 1 to 3 have been taken up.

Local trains for Hyderabad and Secunderabad

5765. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the longterm plans of South Central Railway to extend